

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF

Martin Hoffmann et al Serial No. 09/771,797 Filed: <u>January 29, 2001</u>

For: Full Mesh Optical Interconnect

Group Art Unit: 2839

Examiner: Chandrika Prasad

Mail Stop Issue Fee Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

We reply to Office Action mailed March 4, 2004.

Responsive to the allowance of claims 1, 3, 14 and 18, we attach a check in the amount of \$965 to cover the publication fee and the issue fee.

REMARKS

Regarding the Allowable Subject Matter the applicants acknowledge and accept the allowance of claims 1, 3, 14 and 18.

Shelton, Connecticut April 24, 2004

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the foregoing response is being posted on this 24th day of April, 2004 Mail Stop Issue Fee, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 in a properly addressed envelope, under first class postage prepaid Express Mail via the United States Postal Service.

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